

# The Kingis Maiesties Proclamatioun beiring the

betie occasioun of the present incūming of the Inglis forces, with his hienes commandement  
for thair gude Intreatment and freindly vsage.

**M**A M E S be the grace of God King of Scottis, To our Louittis William Byson Masar, Messingeris our Schireffis in that part coniunctly and seuerallie speciallie constitute greting. Forsamekle as it is not vnknawin to all the gude subiectis of this our Realme, quhat greit gude will and freindschip our dearest sister the Quene of England (being Princesse in the world neirest to vs baith be blude and habitatioun) hes declarit not onlie towarris vs and the preseruatioun of our Innocent persoun euer sen our birth. Bot als quhat cair, trauellis, and charges our said dearest sister hes takin, borne, and sustenit for the saiftie and preseruatioun of this our Realme in the auld ancient libertie, far aboue the custome of ony hir predecessouris. For it is not to be forgottin bot thankfullie to be rememberit how evin with the beginning of hir Regne (were than stāding betuix thir twa Realmes) first of all a godlie peace was maid and concludit, quhilk to this tyme hes happely continewit to the pleasure of God and greit commoditie of this countrie. As als wa how schoptlie thairefter this our Realme being in danger of the Frenche conquest, and Christiane Religioun thairin likly to haue bene vtterly suppressit, be our said dearest sisteris forces and ayd fend to the assege of Leyth, the strangeris wer expellit and the stait of Religioun and libertie of the countrie preseruit, in the quhilk actioun neither hir treasure nor the blude and lyfis of hir pepill wer spairit. The lyke cair weill appeirit in hir quhen be hir forces direct in this our Realme in the Moneth of Maij, the zeir of God ane thousand fyue hundred thre scoir and ten zeiris, the conspiratouris quhilkis pretendit our depositioun from our Royall Crowne and to erect ane vther authoritie, wer profligat and disapointit, and our Castell of Glasgow than assagit be thame succourit and releuit. Our said dearest sister neuer taking or occupying ony strenth, hald, or fute of ground in Scotland, bot that quhilk scho hes bene alwayis willing to rander to the awneris, vpon na vther conditioun saulfing thair returning to our obedience and suretie for continewance thairat. And sen that tyme it is weill knawin quhat trauellis and cair scho hes takin be hir Ambassadouris letteris and Messages to haue our haill Realme quyetit to our obediēce. Quhairin hir laubouris and mediatioun hes at Goddis pleasure takin gude successe, our haill Realme in effect being reducit to the acknowledgeing of our Authoritie, and in the place of the lang ciuile and intestine weir, gude peace restorit ouer all the countrie: our Castell of Edinburgh only exceptit. Quhilkis being put in the trust and custodie of William Kirkcaldy sumtyme of Orange Knicht to our vse and behufe be vmquhyle our dearest Cousing James Erle of Murray our Regent for the tyme of worthy memorie, the said William vnnayndfull of his treuth and promysit alleuegence, hes be the space of twa zeiris with the maie now bypast be the meanis of the same Castell raisit and continewit the said ciuile and intestine weir aganis our Royall estait & Authoritie. To the disturbance of Christiane Religioun, the Lawis, policie, and haill common weill of our Realme, and reiecting the godlie pacificatioun quhilkis the cheif Nobill men and vtheris returning to our obedience hes reslauit, procedis in contemptuous Rebellion and weir, greitly annoying our Burgh of Edinburgh being the cheif fait of Justice, and doing beydis quhat in him lyes to procure and draw strangeris in this our Realme for suppressing of Religioun, our estait, and troubling the quyetnes of this haill Ile. And seing our principall Ordinance, Powder, Bullettis, and munitiounis ar detenit within our said Castell, and vsit and spent aganis vs and our gude subiectis, our said dearest sister hes bene ernistly requyrit be our richt traist Cousing James Erle of Hoztoun Lord Dalkeith Regent to vs our Realme and liegis, and Nobilitie of this our Realme, for ayd and succouris of men, ordinance, and munitioun, to the expugnatioun, assege, and recouerie of our said Castell. Quhilk scho hes fauourabillie and liberallie grātīt, efter all gude meanis vsit to haue brocht the persounis being within our said Castell to our obedience be treatie. Bot the same contemptit be thame and reiectit, hes now preparit and causit put hir forces in full reddynes to enter in this our Realme, to be fully employed for the maintenance and furthsetting of our Authoritie, in assegeing of our said Castell, that the same being recouert, may Immediatlie and indilaitlie be delyuerit (with the ordinance, munitioun, Royall place, Towellis, Wardrop, and houshold stuf, and with the Registeris and recordis belanging to vs and our Crown) to vs and our said Regent in our name & to our behufe. And swa thairby peace restorit to our said Burgh of Edinburgh and our haill Realme in our obedience, without ony vther pretense, meaning, or Intentioun in our said dearest sister, or in Schir William Durie Knicht, Generall of hir saidis forces. **C**O V R will is heirfoir, and we charge zow straitlie and commandis, that Incontinent thir our letteris sene ze pas and in our Name and Authoritie mak publicatioun heirof at the mercat Croce of our Burgh of Edinburgh, and all vther places neidfull, that nane pretend Ignorance of the same, or sinisterlie deprauē and mistepoit of our said dearest sisteris freindly and fauourabill Intentioun. And that ze command and charge all and sindrie our liegis, that thay and euerie ane of thame thankfully ressaue the Generall of hir forces, and haill persounis being vnder his charge, and to schaw and gif to thame all fauour and gude intreatment in ludgeing, meit, drink, and vtheris thair necessaris vpon thair ressonabill charges, vnrasand the present prices in ony thing. And that nane tak vpon hand to do to thame or ony of thame harme, greif, Iniurie, or vncurtessie in bodyis or gudis be word, deid, or countenance, vnder the pane of deid. Certifying thame that failzeis, thay salbe repoute and estemit as seditious and wickit Instrumentis, hinderaris of our seruice and obedience, fauouraris and pertakaris with the declarit Traitoris and Rebellis being within our said Castell, and the pane of deid salbe execute vpon thame with all Rigour in exempill of vtheris. The quhilk to do we commit to zow coniunctlie and seuerallie our full powe, be thir our letteris delyuering thame be zow deuolie execute and Indorsat agane to the betare. Geuin vnder our Signet at Halpruidhous the xiiij. day of Apryle, and of our Regne the sext zeir. 1573.

Per Actum Secreti Confilij.

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CVM PRIVILEGIO REGIS.